

Jr., and Nicole D. Collier who affectionately called her Momma. They moved to Northern Virginia where they settled their family in Dale City.

Shirley's strong faith led them to Little Union Baptist Church in Dumfries, VA. There, she was an integral part of the Children's Ministry and quickly became a beloved favorite of the local children. Shirley loved to play softball and volleyball and encouraged her children to enjoy sports as well.

Shirley and Rolland Sr.'s children supplied them with 9 grandchildren who all referred to Shirley as Nana. They became the object of her affection and often the grandchildren would be found at Nana's while she whipped up her famous oatmeal cookies or delicious macaroni and cheese. Always generous with her time, Shirley could be seen shuffling the grandchildren from place to place and she was always present for pivotal moments in their life. The close bond that they shared did not falter when they teased that Nana had "no filter" later in life, when she shared her opinion about their choice of clothes or hair style.

Shirley's faith was only strengthened when she was diagnosed with cancer in 2011, with a 25 percent chance to live. Arising from the debilitating treatment, she even surprised medical professionals with her amazing courage, faith, and strength.

However, as the years went by, the remnants of chemotherapy and twice a day radiation took a toll on her body. Gradually losing strength but always maintaining her sharp mind, her beloved husband took on the task of giving her the best love and attentive care only he could provide. Cameron, her granddaughter spent countless days and hours assisting Nana towards the end of her life and was always able to bring a smile to her face or make her laugh even when the days were long and hard.

On August 29, 2021, phrases like "please don't go Momma," or "today was not your day, Nana" were spoken but God had a different plan and called her home to Glory. She is now reunited with her parents Helen and Thomas Joyner, her sisters Gladys, Mary, and Willie Mae, her brothers Walter, Lewis and Donald and other loving family members.

Shirley leaves behind a legacy of love and precious memories to be cherished by her relatives, friends, and community. Shirley's love and unwavering commitment to faith and family will be deeply missed by our Fort Worth community.

IN RECOGNITION OF OLYMPIC
MEDALIST BUBBA STARLING

HON. SHARICE DAVIDS

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 20, 2021

Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Bubba Starling for earning a silver medal as part of the United States national baseball team in the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games. With every inning, he demonstrated his determination, passion, and love of baseball. I am proud to say that a local Kansan was a part of this very special team.

Mr. Starling began his athletic career in Gardner, Kansas as a multi-sport standout

athlete. Through baseball, he found his professional calling and, after being ranked in 2011 as the number 1 baseball recruit in the nation, was selected fifth overall in the Major League Baseball draft by his hometown team, the Kansas City Royals.

Given Mr. Starling's history of athletic achievement, it is no surprise that he would excel on the world's biggest stage as a part of the United States Olympic baseball team. Considering the special circumstances of these Olympics, it is even more impressive how Mr. Starling and his teammates rose to win the silver medal. Their perseverance through the pandemic was a beacon of hope in difficult times for our country and the world. I commend their resilience and demonstration of athletic excellence.

Madam Speaker, please join me in congratulating Bubba Starling on his silver medal in the 2021 Tokyo Olympic Games.

HONORING THE 100TH BIRTHDAY
OF MR. PAUL CATALANO

HON. CHRIS JACOBS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 20, 2021

Mr. JACOBS of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate and honor the 100th birthday of Mr. Paul Catalano.

Mr. Catalano is a proud lifelong Western New York resident. He was born and raised in Buffalo, New York, where he resided for most of his life.

Mr. Catalano is a member of the Greatest Generation and fought for our country in World War II, serving in the U.S. Army from 1942 until 1944 when he was honorably discharged as a Private First Class. After the war, he continued his service to our country as a Lieutenant in the National Guard. He also had a long and productive career in the Buffalo banking and retail industries and retired in 1991 from Riverside Credit Union.

Mr. Catalano and his late wife, Theresa, were happily married for 66 years. Mr. Catalano is the proud patriarch of his large family consisting of 3 children, 6 grandchildren, and 8 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Catalano is proud of his Italian heritage, as demonstrated by his membership in the Federation of Italian American Societies of Western New York. He served as treasurer for the Federation for several decades, until retiring at the age of 98.

Mr. Catalano is also a lifelong New York Yankees fan and was privileged to see them play in his hometown of Buffalo at the age of 99.

Madam Speaker, please join me in honoring Mr. Paul Catalano for his service to our country and in celebration of his 100th birthday.

CELEBRATING THE 150TH CHURCH
ANNIVERSARY OF ZION TRAVELERS
CHURCH

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 20, 2021

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the legacy and

service of a remarkable church, Greater Zion Travelers M.B. Church.

Zion Traveler Church was organized on the 31st of July 1871 by Reverend Albert Young. Zion Travelers started out with just 30 members and since its founding has only had 13 Pastors: Rev. E.D. Jones, Rev. S.S. Butler, Rev. A.R. Tillman, Rev. J. West, Rev. Hue White, Rev. Henderson, Rev. Albert (Abe) Richie, Rev. C.J. Stevenson, Rev. U.E. Jones, Rev. C.H. Lowe, Rev. Willie Lewis, and Rev. Casey Fisher.

Rev. Lewis was elected as pastor in February 1967. One year into his stewardship, the congregation built a brick building with central heat, central air, two restrooms, running water, and a baptismal pool. This new building symbolized new beginnings for the church and thus led to its renaming: Greater Zion Travelers M.B. Church. Officers who served under him were Bro. Eugene Snow, Bro. Ivory Smith, Brother Hubert Smith, Bro. Sylvester Fields, Bro. Eddie Cooper, Bro. Louis McGriggs, and Bro. Talmadge Ross. Later, he added, Bro. Excell Snow, Bro. Robert Marbra, Bro. Upson, Bro. Claude Smith, Bro. James Simon, and Bro. Demell McGriggs. Trustees: Sis. Willie M. Callahan and Bro. C.P. Lyons.

The members were so dedicated that they paid the mortgage off in only 10 years. They continued to build upon that success by purchasing an organ, new pews with cushion seats, piano, bulletin board, desk, and chairs. Greater Zion was the only church at this time that had an asphalt parking lot. Rev. Lewis became Pastor Emeritus in May 2013. He died October 10, 2013, as the longest serving pastor of Greater Zion with 46 years.

Rev. Fisher, the son of Sharkey and the Late Katie Fisher, was elected pastor of Greater Zion May 2013. Rev. Fisher was reared in this church and brought excitement with his selection. He has continued the legacy of Greater Zion through area beautification, (installing the embossed name on the church, added three crosses at the entrance of the church), building renovations (removed carpet and replaced with treated concrete flooring, replaced carpet in the choir loft, purchased new furniture for the quiet room, Pastor's office, business office, and fellowship hall) and modernization. In honor of Reverend Lewis, Pastor Fisher dedicated the rear church entrance as the Willie Lewis Lane. He instituted the Church's first and only motto: "The Church on the Corner where Christ is the Center".

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Greater Zion has been a leader in providing much needed food and cleaning supplies to the community. In May 2020, Greater Zion partnered with local, county, and state elected officials to conduct Operation Give Back-Utica. Over 300 families were blessed. During the historic ice storm of 2021, Rev. Fisher and his members coordinated with State Representative Stephanie Foster for water distribution for the community. Six pallets (504 cases) of water were distributed.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the legacy, and service of Greater Zion Travelers M.B. Church.